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Title of invention			(2. August 2002)	
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Preliminary examination fee	EUR 1.530, P		
2. Handling fee (Applicants from certain States are entitled to a reduction of 75% of the handling fee. Where the applicant is (or all applicants are) so entitled, the amount to be entered at H is 25% of the handling fee.)	EUR 129, H		
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